

EDITORIAL

We take this occasion to thank Edward A. Mc Ilhenny for his recent generous gift toward the expenses of publication of the *Bulletin*. For more than forty years a member, and for several years a Life Member of the Club, Mr. Mc Ilhenny has long demonstrated his sincere and active interest.

With the hope of making our section on Bibliography more useful, we introduce in this issue a subject classification. The present arrangement is only tentative, and we shall welcome your comments and your suggestions for improving it. Reprints of this section are available at a small cost. Since a number of our members subscribe for these to clip and file in their own bibliographies, the titles from each issue of the *Wilson Bulletin* are now to be included in the bibliographic section of the following issue.

The Club is indebted to Katie Roads, Leslie D. Case, and George M. Sutton for gifts of series of back numbers of the *Bulletin*. There is a steady demand for these, and we are very glad to replenish our stock whenever members find that they have runs or even single numbers which they no longer need.

George B. Thorp and his Endowment Committee report a total of ten new Life Members added in 1942-1943. They ask us to inform the members that any who wish to become Life Members during the year will be allowed credit for 1943 dues already paid.

ORNITHOLOGICAL NEWS

Wilfred H. Osgood, Alexander Wetmore, and John T. Zimmer have joined with six outstanding taxonomists in other fields of zoology to form a General Council on Zoological Nomenclature to replace, for at least the duration of the War, the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature, which can, of course, no longer function. A printed set of by-laws may be obtained from Osgood at Field Museum.

William Vogt, of the Office of the Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs, has been awarded a Guggenheim Fellowship for the preparation of a book on Peru's guano birds, based on three years' study which he recently carried on as naturalist to the Peruvian Guano Administration.

OBITUARY

LEONHARD STEJNEGER, distinguished herpetologist and ornithologist, died in Washington, D. C., on February 28, 1943, at the age of 91. During later years Stejneger devoted himself entirely to herpetology, but between 1871 and 1905 he published many important contributions to ornithology and became an acknowledged authority on the birds of the North Pacific. From 1884 to 1889 he was Assistant Curator of Birds in the United States National Museum.

ALTHEA R. SHERMAN, well known Iowa ornithologist, died April 16, 1943, at her home in National. She will be especially remembered for her remarkable nesting studies of the Flicker, Screech Owl, Sparrow Hawk, and Chimney Swift. The earliest of these, which were among the first such studies made in this country, were published in 1910 and 1911. Miss Sherman was also a bird artist of real ability, and shared with Louis Agassiz Fuertes the distinction of showing her work in 1919 at the first American Ornithologists' Union exhibit of bird paintings. A member of the Wilson Club since 1902, Miss Sherman was made an Honorary Member in 1929.